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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

APPLICATION OF	)	
HARTWIG SCHLESIGER ET AL	)	GROUP NO.: 1614
SERIAL NUMBER: 09/785,905	)	EXAMINER: D. C. JONES
FILED: FEBRUARY 16, 2001	)	
TITLE: A PROCESS FOR PRODUCING PARTICULATE, WATER-SOLUBLE CELLULOSE DERIVATIVES USING A SUPERHEATED GAS MIXTURE CONTAINING STEAM	)	

**RESPONSE**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231  
Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 22, 2002, Applicants submit the following remarks distinguishing the claims over the prior art.

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an enveloped addressed to: Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231, on 1/22/03  
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